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EXDIS FOR AMBASSADOR TODMAN FROM VEST

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: FORMIN REQUESTS TO SEE THE PRESIDENT

REF: MADRID 10114

1. WE SHARE THE EMBASSY'S CONCERN OVER BELIEF IN GOS THAT
US HAS NOT ASSIGNED SUFFICIENT IMPORTANCE TO ITS RELATION-
SHIP WITH SPAIN. WE HAVE BEEN CONSIDERING WAYS TO
ALLEVIATE THIS PROBLEM IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE VISIT OF
VICE PRESIDENT GUTIERREZ MELLADO WHEN IT WAS QUITE EVIDENT.

2. WE EXPECT THIS FALL TO BE AN EXCEEDINGLY BUSY
TIME FOR THE PRESIDENT AS A RESULT OF THE CAMP DAVID TALKS
AND THE RUSH OF BUSINESS AT THE END OF THIS CONGRESSIONAL
SESSION. THEREFORE, WE ARE RELUCTANT TO REQUEST AN
APPOINTMENT FOR OREJA TO SEE THE PRESIDENT. WE ARE,
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HOWEVER, CONSIDERING ASKING FOR AN APPOINTMENT FOR OREJA TO
SEE VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE IN WASHINGTON. THE VICE PRESI-
DENT MET WITH GUTIERREZ MELLADO IN AUGUST AND IS FAMILIAR
WITH SPANISH VIEWS ON THE STATE OF OUR RELATIONS. CHRISTOPHER

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